

FGDC Report



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Current FGDC Activities

- OMB Circular A-16 – Revision
- GeoPlatform – New features & IDIQ contract
- Federal Data Strategy (FDS):
 - FGDC FDS Actions and FGDC Pilot
 - FDS Data Ethics Framework Inter-Agency Team
- International Programs – UN-GGIM & GEO
- FGDC GeoPathways – Student internship program
- Broadband Mapping – FCC coordination

June 12 FGDC Steering Committee Meeting

AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks

Tim Petty (DOI),
Rebecca Williams (OMB)

2. NGAC Report

Mark Reichardt (NGAC Chair)

3. Geospatial Data Act

- GDA Team/Agency Reporting Templates
- 2020 GDA Report to Congress
- NSDI Strategic Plan

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Ivan DeLoatch (FGDC)
Carrie Stokes (USAID)

4. GeoPlatform

Tod Dabolt (DOI)

5. Federal Data Strategy FGDC Actions

Ken Shaffer (FGDC)

6. Proposal for New NGDA Theme (International Boundaries)

Lee Schwartz (State
Department)

Background on GDA Planning

- GDA provides multiple opportunities for the national geospatial community as well as significant requirements for planning, reporting, and performance measurement
- Agencies will need a GDA guidebook: OMB Circular A-16 (when revised) will provide the ‘what’ but not the ‘how’
- GDA passed in October 2018; multiple groups formed in December 2018 to begin addressing key components of the GDA
- Initial focus was the development of a GDA Roadmap for FY20 and FY21 to guide agency activities

Near-Term Priorities

- FGDC-sponsored Interagency Working Group formed in November 2019; over a dozen agencies meeting weekly
- Initial coordination priorities
 - Covered Agency Reports
 - National Geospatial Data Asset / Lead Covered Agency Reports
 - Agency Inspector General Audits
 - FGDC Report to Congress
 - National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI) Strategic Plan

Covered Agency Report

- GDA Section 759A identifies 13 requirements for Covered Agencies
- Developing a standardized approach to measure agency progress
 - Recommending agencies perform a self-assessment of performance based on specific criteria for each requirement
 - Each of the 13 requirements has multiple sub-questions for agencies to assess their performance
 - Rate as:
 - Meets expectations
 - Made progress toward expectations
 - Fails to meet expectations
- Results in an overall rating for each of the 13 requirements

Lead Covered Agency Reports

- GDA Section 756 identifies requirements for Lead Covered Agencies
- Document implementation of the NGDA Data Theme and progress in achieving requirements under subparagraphs:
 - (A) Provide leadership for developing and implementing geospatial data standards for the theme
 - *NGDA Standards Baseline Inventory of all Datasets* (Survey)
 - Federal Data Strategy 2020 Action Plan Action 10 Milestone: Due Dec 31, 2020
 - (B) Provide leadership and facilitate development and implementation of a plan for nationwide population of the data theme
 - (C) Establish goals that support the strategic plan for the NSDI
 - (D) Collect and analyze information from geospatial data users regarding user needs and incorporate those needs into strategies for the data theme
- Subparagraph (E) provides other requirements for NGDA data theme management

Timeline

- June: Finalize Covered Agency self-assessment survey document
- July-September: Develop and test online tool using GeoPlatform & Survey123
- October-December: Covered Agencies complete self-assessment measuring performance during FY20; Theme Leads (Lead Covered Agencies) complete similar assessment
- January-March: FGDC develops summary reports on agency and theme performance per GDA requirements

Questions / Discussion